

TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE Community Development and Revitalization Program

"We work to rebuild communities, to put Texans back in their homes, and to help businesses recover after the trauma of disaster."

George P. Bush

Texas General Land Office Commissioner



Preparing for Hurricane Season

That begins at the preparedness stage. We ask you to encourage your communities to:

- Gather supplies, including personal protective gear
- Secure copies of their important documents like insurance policies and home deeds
- Protect their homes and sign up for flood insurance
- Make an evacuation plan

FEMA recently released guidance on preparing for hurricane season during the COVID-19 pandemic, and I highly encourage you to review their tips with your emergency managers.

COVID-19 Pandemic Operational Guidance for the 2020 Hurricane Season

As a community, you need to be prepared to document all damage.

If you have questions on other ways you can prepare your community to receive recovery assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out.



History of GLO and Recovery

In 2011, Governor Perry designated the Texas General Land Office as the lead state agency for long-term disaster recovery for the State of Texas, through the administration of all U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant for Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds.

CDBG – DR funds are a special appropriation from Congress, associated with a Presidentially Declared Disaster.

(Approx. 15% of all Presidential Declarations receive Congressional Appropriations)

CDBG – DR funds must meet **one of the following** HUD designated National Objectives to be eligible for award:

- Benefitting Low-to Moderate-Income Persons
- Preventing or Eliminating Slum or Blight
- Meeting Urgent Needs



Short-Term Housing vs. Long-Term Recovery

SHORT-TERM HOUSING FEMA/GLO-CDR:

- Temporary Housing
- Provided during initial 18 months following event
- Programs funded by FEMA
- Programs administered by GLO
- Provides partial repairs or temporary housing
- Minimal environmental review
- Limited window of time to submit housing application
- Direct Housing Solutions and Partial Repairs and Essential Power for Sheltering (PREPS)

LONG-TERM RECOVERY HUD/GLO-CDR:

- Provided only after federal appropriation
- Funds granted directly to States, Units of General Local Government (UGLG), Indian tribes or insular areas for distribution
- State and local governments reconstruct homes
- Full construction to local code
- Expanded environmental review
- Can improve and harden beyond pre-event conditions
- Can be used for FEMA match
- Must spend 70% on low-to moderate-income individuals
- Grant focus on Housing, Infrastructure and Planning



CDBG-DR Funding Process



President declares disaster IAW 1998 Stafford Act PL 100-707.



Congress appropriates funds to HUD for long-term disaster recovery.



HUD publishes Federal Register, allocating funds to impacted disaster States outlining Congressional and HUD requirements and CDBG regulations.



The Governor designates GLO as the lead agency for CDBG-DR funds management.



GLO develops the State Action Plan and program design based on the published Federal Register and other applicable laws and regulations.



GLO initiates programs and the COGs develop regional distribution plans based on needs, straight allocation or competitive scoring application methodology.



Disaster Funding Timeline



Method of

Distribution &

Fund Allocation

15 - 27 months

